

Winter Youth Programs,
Junior Rangers, Park Pals,
and Sprouts!

New This Year - Cub
Scout and Girl Scout
Programs!

Family Programs Including
Campfires & Hayrides
Guided Hikes
Movie Night
History Tours
And SO Much More....

Fall and Winter Festivals!
Fun for the whole family,
including live animal displays and
nature crafts....



Winter Warriors

By: Gary Wilkins

The colder months of the year are quickly approaching meaning everyone needs to hunker down and cozy up by the fire with hot chocolate and some good movies until March, right? WRONG! There are plenty of fun things to do outside and in the park all through the winter.

Fall is a fantastic time to get outside in the park. The leaves are changing making for beautiful, picturesque scenes that are great for a fall picnic. Even when fall turns colder in November and December, there is no drastic cold temperature that a fun family game of football, soccer, or frisbee can not cure. Walking around the park or even roller-blading, where possible, is much more enjoyable during a cool autumn afternoon then during the dog days of summer. As

December rolls into January, bundling up in some warm clothing and taking a hike though the woods is a great way to get out of the house in the winter. With all the foliage gone, take in a different view of your favorite hiking locations with clear views throughout the woods. When snow begins to fall, there are still many outdoor activities to enjoy. For those who enjoy snowshoeing or cross-country skiing, the Torrey C. Brown trail provides a great location for these activities. The 19.7 mile trail does not get plowed during winter snow storms and provides beautiful views of the Gunpowder River.

So, this winter make a change. Do not let your family catch "nature deficit disorder", described later in this edition of *The Gunpowder Currents*. Get outside and enjoy nature all year long!

Family Programs & Special Events

A NOTE ON PROGRAM RESERVATION: You may notice that some programs below ask that you pre-register to participate. This helps us to direct our efforts in ways that best serve you, our guest. If the program you are interested in requires pre-registration, please take a moment to **call us at 410-592-2897** and let us know you are coming. This helps to ensure that your program will not be cancelled. For park programs, children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult


OCTOBER


2 Day of the Horse - Graham Equestrian Center; 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. A "mini-expo" of demonstrations, lectures, parade of breeds, silent auction & raffle, vendors, concessions, hay rides and children's activities! Admission: Donation request of \$5.00 per carload Bring your friends and family to Graham for a fun-filled day of horses! 10301 Harford Road, Glen Arm, Maryland For program details go to www.grahameq.org.


2 Night Hike/Owl Prowl - Days Cove, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Spend an evening hiking in and near the woods of Days Cove, searching and listening for the hunters of the night. *Pre-registration is required Call: 410-592-2897. Cost: \$2/person.*

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9, 10 16th Annual Colonial Craftsmen Weekend - Jerusalem Mill, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., on Saturday. 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. During this unique event the village hums with activity

reminiscent of pre-Revolutionary War times at a market fair and encampment where goods can be bought, sold or bartered, and where artisans and re-enactors demonstrate age-old crafts and trades. Visitors can wander through the camps, talk with crafters and living history interpreters, and shop at the sutler tents. Along with a hands-on history play camp for kids, Colonial Craftsmen Weekend features demonstrations and performances that devolve a little deeper into the trades, crafts, clothes and customs of the time. Purchase a special teacup at the gift shop in the McCourtney building and be invited to partake of tea and polite conversation, 18th century style. *See website: www.jerusalemmill.org. Cost \$7 for adults ages 13-59, \$5 for kids ages 6-12, seniors age 60+, and active duty military with ID. Special family rate for 2 adults with 3 children \$25 and children 5 and under are free.*


9 Scout Day - Days Cove, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., Join a Park Naturalist as you work toward earning a Girl Scout badge or Cub Scout belt loop/pin. This month we will work on the Cub Scout 'Wildlife Conservation' loop/pin and Brownie Girl Scout 'EcoExplorer' Try-it. Sign up as either an individual scout or as a den/troop. *Pre-registration is required. \$2 per person. Call: 410-592-2897 to register.*

 **10 Fall Fun with Flowers** - North Point Visitor's Center, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Learn how to make your own flower press then take a hike to find leaves and flowers to preserve. Fun for all ages. *\$3 per person. Pre-registration is required. Call: 410-592-2897 to register.*

 **17 Harvest Day** - Hammerman Area, Chestnut Pavilion, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Stop by Chestnut pavilion to join park naturalists for fall fun. Activities include story telling, children's games and crafts, and the chance to meet some of the fascinating and spooky animals of Gunpowder Falls State Park. *Call: 410-592-2897 for more information. Rain or Shine. FREE!*


22 Sunset Canoe Trip - Days Cove, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Explore the scenic Days Cove area by canoe, and experience the marshlands as they come alive with wildlife activity at dusk. Individuals must be at least 12 years old to participate in this 2.5 mile paddle. *Pre-registration is required Call: 410-335-6470. Cost: \$8/person.*


23 Campfire and Hayride - Hammerman Beach, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Celebrate fall with the family and enjoy an old fashioned hayride and storytelling around the campfire. Roast a snack to enjoy as you listen and relax by the fire. For kids of all ages, all children must be accompanied by an adult. *Pre-registration is required. Call: 410-592-2897 to register and to check for cancellations due to inclement weather - shine only. FREE!*


 **25-27 Boaters Safety Course** - North Point Visitor's Center 7:00-10:00 p.m. Come learn all the ins and outs of boating safety as taught by knowledgeable and qualified park staff. This eight hour course is required for all boat operators in the state of Maryland born after July 1, 1972. *Pre-registration is required. Call: 410-592-2897.*


NOVEMBER


6 A Walk in the Woods - North Point, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Join a park naturalist for a interpretive hike through the historic woods of North Point. Learn about the local flora and fauna of the area surrounding the Chesapeake Bay. *Pre-registration is required. Call: 410-592-2897 for more information. FREE!*


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 **14 Native Plants Native People** - Monkton Station, 2:00-3:30 p.m. Join park naturalists to learn some of the games and activities enjoyed by native and colonial people. Learn how our ancestors relied on nature to provide them with materials needed for everyday life. *Pre-registration recommended. Call: 410-592-2897 for more information. Shine Only. FREE!*

18 Harvest Tea and Floral Design Workshop - Jerusalem Mill Village General Store. 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Make and take a fall floral arrangement for your Thanksgiving table. Enjoy high tea featuring a taste of fall harvest. Workshop is limited to 12 participants. Cost: \$35 per person. *For more information or to register, please call Andrea at 410-529-8488 and leave a message, name and phone number.*


19 Campfire in the Woods - Sparks Nature Center 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Bring chairs, picnic blankets, and enjoy smores and other fire-roasted snacks on a cool autumn night. The whole family can unwind after a busy work week and hear our naturalists share their knowledge of the parks natural, cultural, and historic resources. *Pre-registration is required. Call: 410-592-2897 to register. Shine Only. FREE!*


 **20 Lurking Turkey** - Monkton Station, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Whet your whistle for Thanksgiving goodness when you stop by Monkton Station today to learn about the elusive wild turkey a seldom seen bird native to our area. You will learn where wild turkeys live, what they eat, and how they communicate with one another and then practice imitating them with wild turkey calls. You may also make your own turkey art for Thanksgiving. All ages are welcome and encouraged to participate. *FREE!*


 **21 NCR History Tour Part 1: Route of the Ruxton Rocket** - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The Northern Central Railway once connected southern Baltimore County with Pennsylvania, New York and beyond. Join park ranger Robert Bailey on a van tour of the communities along the former Northern Central from Baltimore to Cockeysville. Explore the Greenspring Valley Branch, and the original Northern Central mainline (now occupied by the Baltimore light rail). Visit former station stops at Brooklynville, Mount Washington, Ruxton, Hollins, and more. Space is limited. *Pre-registration is required. \$5 per person. Call: 410-592-2897 to register and for location details.*


28 Thanksgiving Hike - Big Falls Road at Gunpowder Falls 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Work off those extra calories from Thanksgiving by hiking a section of the Gunpowder South and the Panther Branch trails guided by park staff. Together we will explore and discuss the scenery of late fall, identify trees, plants, and other natural and unnatural features along the way. Hike is approximately 4.5 miles over rugged terrain and is not suitable for young children. Please be prepared by dressing appropriately for the weather and bringing your own snacks and water. *Shine Only! Pre-registration is required. Call: 410-592-2897 to register. FREE!*

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4 Winter Survival Skills - Days Cove, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Come put your survival sense to the test. Join park naturalists to learn some simple outdoor survival skills. Also learn how our furry friends survive through the cold winter months. All ages welcome. *Pre-registration is required. Call: 410-592-2897 to register. \$2 per person.*

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- ♿ **11, 12 Santa's Workshop** - North Point State Park, 12:00 - 3:00 p.m. Have your picture taken with Santa Claus. There will be crafts to make and take home as gifts along with an opportunity to do a little Christmas shopping. Train gardens and Christmas decorations will be on display along with holiday music and fun for all. *Call: 410-477-0757. Donations welcome.*

- ♿ **18 Monkton Holiday Open House** - Monkton Train Station, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Get into the holiday spirit when you stop by Monkton Station for our holiday house. Activities for the family include making ornaments for your Christmas tree, a holiday card making station, wreath making with vines, winter time art display and refreshments. Donations welcome. *Call: 410-592-2897 for more information. FREE!*

JANUARY

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- ♿ **9 Winter Festival** - Monkton Station, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Join park staff for a fun and warm day in the middle of winter. Enjoy hot chocolate, storytelling, winter crafts and activities. *Pre-registration is required. Call 410-592-2897 to register. \$2 per person.*

- ♿ **29 Movie Night** - North Point, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Come out for a movie night in the North Point Visitor's Center. Even though its cold outside we can still think warm with an outdoor themed movie and special animal guests. Bring the whole family, popcorn will be provided! *Registration is required. \$2 per person. Call: (410) 592-2897 for more information and to register.*

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 **21 Presidential History** - North Point Visitor's Center, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. On President's Day, celebrate by joining a park historian and take a trip back in time to learn about the life and times of past presidents. *Pre-registration is required. Call: 410-592-2897. FREE!*


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20 Spring Peeper Hike - North Point, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Come out on the first day of Spring to listen for the calls of a native tree frog, the Spring Peeper. *Pre-registration is required. Call: 410-592-2897 to register.*

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WHAT'S NEW THIS SEASON AT GUNPOWDER?



New Access! A State Highway Administration project allowing improved public access to the North side of Little Gunpowder off of Route 1 is nearing completion. The project includes an improved parking area, as well as a pedestrian tunnel travelling below Route 1 to allow visitors seeking trail and river access safe passage across the road.

New Programs! Park Ranger Robert Bailey has developed a series of new interpretive programs to shed light on some little known historical features of Gunpowder Falls State Park. Ranger Bailey will lead visitors on explorations of mill ruins and tours of former railroad towns to give visitors a glimpse into some of the past uses of land in and around the state park. Program details are listed in this newsletter.

New Pet Friendly Areas! The park's pet policy has been expanded to give visitors increased opportunities for the whole family, including pets, to enjoy the outdoors together! Now, from October 1 to April 30, the Hammerman day use area will allow pets in all areas, except for the sandy portion of the swimming beach area. Pets must be leashed, and owners are responsible for cleaning up after their pets. The park has installed pet waste stations at the Dogwood area of Hammerman to assist owners with this responsibility.

Bring your friends and family out to the park to explore these new features, as well as some of the old favorites, offered in this issue of the Gunpowder Currents!



Park Hours

Park Headquarters:	Open year-round, Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Closed on state holidays
Jerusalem Mill Museum:	Open weekends year-round, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Available other times by appointment
Blacksmith Shop & Gun Shop at Jerusalem Mill:	Open Sundays, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Monkton Train Station:	Open weekends only in May, and September 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Hours from Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day: Wednesday through Sunday, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Sparks Bank Nature Center:	Open summer weekends and by appointment. Call 410-592-2897 for hours.
North Point Day Use Area:	Open year-round, 8 a.m. - Sunset
North Point Visitor Center:	Hours from Memorial Day weekend - Labor Day: Wednesday - Sunday, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Hammerman Day Use Area:	April - October: 8 a.m. - Sunset November - March: 10a.m. - Sunset
Hammerman Beach:	Lifeguards on duty from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day, Thursday - Sunday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Beach unguarded at other times. Lifeguard hours subject to change. Call (410) 335-3461 to confirm.
Dundee Creek Marina Store:	April Hours: Call (410) 335-3461 for hours. May Hours: Monday - Friday, 6 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday & Sunday 6 a.m. - 7 p.m. Memorial Day weekend - Labor Day: Monday - Tuesday: 5 a.m. - 5 p.m. Wednesday: Closed Thursday - Friday: 5 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday - Sunday: 5 a.m. - 7 p.m. After Labor Day: Call (410) 335-3461 for hours.

The Gunpowder Currents: Subscribe Today!

Be the first to hear about park events! For a donation of \$10, you will receive the *Gunpowder Currents* for one year. This offer includes two issues of the *Currents*, and notices on other events too.

Subscribers receive a \$1 discount on programs requiring pre-registration. To order, fill out this form and mail it with your payment (checks only, please) to GFSP, P.O. Box 480, Kingsville, MD 21087.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Winter Youth Programs

Junior Rangers

Children from 9 to 12 years old can explore the park, discover nature and learn about the park through hands-on activities by joining the Junior Ranger Program. We have concurrent Junior Ranger/Park Pal sessions this year at Days Cove and Monkton. Lots of fun things are in store for you, so sign up soon!

Areas & Times:

Days Cove:

February 11th - March 18th
Fridays, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Monkton Train Station:

February 12th - March 19th
Saturdays, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Park Pals

Younger tots ages 5 to 8 can join in the fun too! Park Pals are introduced to the out-of-doors through games, crafts and activities with a nature theme. It's perfect for all, especially the younger brothers and sisters of Junior Rangers.

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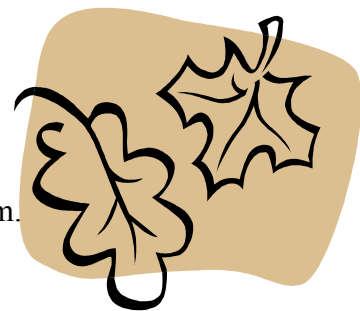
Younger children ages 3 -4 and their parents can join in the fun also! Sprouts will be introduced to the outdoors through crafts, stories and activities with a nature theme. This program gets our youngest visitors involved in hands-on activities that enhance early childhood development. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

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Sprouts are welcome to stay and play (supervised by parents!) while their older siblings complete their Junior Ranger or Park Pal sessions, 11 - 12 p.m.



Service Charges:

\$25 per child for Junior Rangers or Park Pals; \$15 per Sprout. Take advantage of our great family rate! \$10 for each additional child from the same family!

Requirements:

Children must attend four out of six sessions and complete required activities to earn their patch. Please plan family vacations and other activities accordingly.

Registration:

To register, call 410-592-2897. Registration is limited to 20 children per Junior Ranger session, 15 per Park Pals session and 10 per Sprouts session. Early registration is recommended.

DIRECTIONS TO THE PARK AREAS:

HAMMERMAN BEACH - From I-95 take exit 67A for Route 43 east (White Marsh Boulevard). Follow 43 to Route 40 east. Turn right at the first light onto Ebenezer Road and follow it for 4.5 miles. The park entrance will be on your left.

MONKTON STATION - From I-83 N, take exit 27 and turn right on Mt. Carmel Road. Turn right on York Road and make a quick left onto Monkton Road. Follow it until it crosses the NCR Trail. Monkton Station will be on your left. Limited parking.

JERUSALEM MILL (Park Headquarters) - From I-95 take exit 74 for Route 152 West (Mountain Road). Follow Mountain Road toward Fallston and turn left onto Jerusalem Road. Jerusalem Mill will be on your left after 1.1 miles. Parking is in the lot on the right, just before the mill.

NORTH POINT STATE PARK - From I-695S take exit 42 (Edgemere - Fort Howard). Follow Route 20 south (North Point Road) through the town of Edgemere. The entrance to the park will be on your left after 2 miles. From I-695N take exit 43. Follow signs to Route 20 south.

SPARKS BANK NATURE CENTER - From I-83N take exit 24 (Belfast Road). Turn right onto Belfast Road. Turn right onto York Road (Route 45). Take your second left onto Sparks Road. Follow it until it crosses the NCR Trail. Sparks Bank Nature Center will be on your right. Limited parking.

CHECK US OUT ON THE WEB!

You can now access the Maryland Department of Natural Resources through our website. Obtain information about parks, upcoming events around the State, regulations, educational programs, and so much more! Our website address is:

www.dnr.state.md.us

Two of our volunteer groups are also operating websites. The Friends of Jerusalem Mill is a group which took the lead in the restoration of the 18th-century mill which now serves as park headquarters, and houses a Visitor Center and Museum. The Friends are currently working closely with DNR and Gunpowder Falls State Park to restore additional, recently acquired, properties which were also part of the historic Jerusalem Village. Information about their activities can be found at:

www.jerusalemill.org

The North Point Volunteer Association is a dynamic force at North Point State Park, a part of Gunpowder Falls State Park. They sponsor numerous activities throughout the year, including Earth Day, Summer Splash and the Youth Fishing Derby. Their volunteers have restored and continue to maintain the fountain that was a centerpiece of the old Bayshore Park. Follow their activities, and see how to get involved, at:

www.northpointstatepark.org



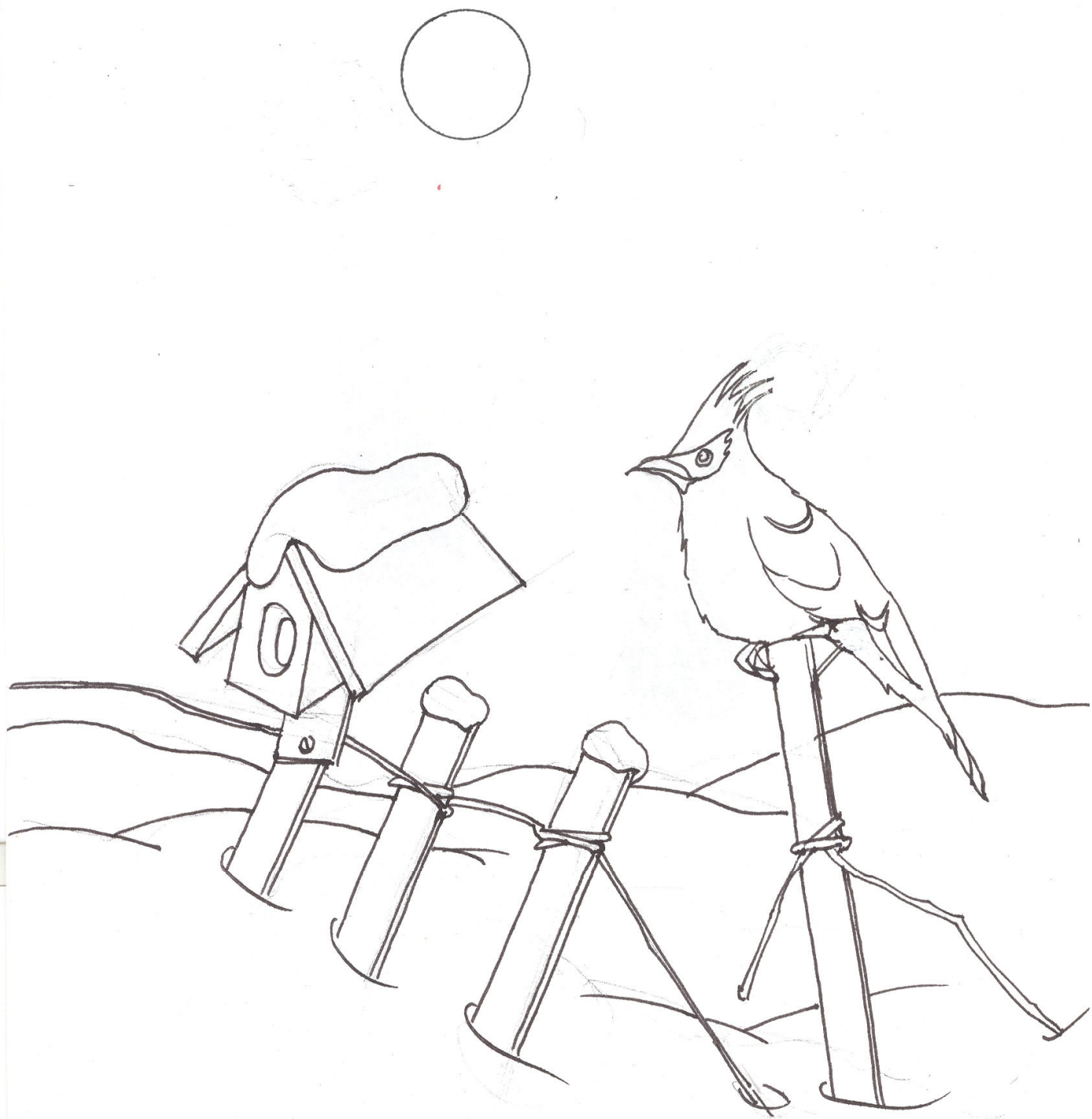
Tired of high gas prices, traffic jams and airport delays complicating your precious vacation? Simplify! Choose the Mill Pond Cottage for your next getaway, and leave your troubles behind. Located in the scenic Hereford area of Gunpowder Falls State Park, the Cottage offers true peace and quiet in a private, streamside retreat.

The Mill Pond Cottage sleeps 8 people, and has a full kitchen, central air conditioning and heat, cable television, wood-burning fireplace, screened-in porch and much more! Anglers will love the two-minute walk to one of the best trout fishing areas in the country. A mere thirty-minute drive from Baltimore can make you feel like you're a thousand miles away—without the travel hassles!

We'd love to help you plan your visit. Call Park Headquarters at 410-592-2897 for information, or to request a full-color brochure. Check us out on the web at:

www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/millpond.html

—Attention Kids!! Color in this page and send it to the park office to receive a \$1 off coupon for ANY park program! (address located on last page of currents)



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SERVICE CHARGES

Access to most areas of Gunpowder is free. There is a \$3 per person service charge for entrance into the Hammerman area. This service charge is in effect every day during the summer season (Memorial Day through Labor Day) and weekends in the spring and fall. Children in car seats, and patrons over age 62, are free. A \$3 per car honor system is in effect on weekdays in the spring and fall. Buses - \$10, with reservation required. At North Point State Park, a \$3 per car service charge is in effect.

All Season Passes for 2006 are available for \$75, and can be obtained at the Hammerman and North Point areas.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in Gunpowder Falls State Park. The only exception is a reserved shelter when a \$35 alcohol permit is purchased. Call 888-432-CAMP or visit our website for more information.

PETS

From April 30-Oct 1, pets are prohibited at the Hammerman area, except the Dogwood area. From Memorial Day to Labor Day, pets are prohibited except in designated areas of North Point. At all other times, pets *on leashes* are permitted in all other areas of the park, except youth group camping areas and where otherwise marked.

PAVILIONS

Gunpowder has four picnic pavilions in the Hammerman area. These may

be reserved in advance. For reservation dates between May 1 and September 30, call 1-888-432-CAMP. Reservations for all other dates may be made at 410-592-2897. The service charge is \$200 for pavilion use, in addition to the \$3 per person service charge for entrance.

The North Point Trolley Station, which resembles a huge pavilion, is available for rental and seats up to 400 people. The service charge varies depending upon the number of people using the facility.

BOATING

Dundee Creek Marina provides access to the northern Chesapeake Bay. Rental boats, gas, and a full line of boating accessories are available at the marina. The service charge for launching is \$10 per launch.



TRASH-FREE PARKS

All Maryland State Forests and Parks are Trash-Free. Please take your trash home with you and remember to reduce, reuse & recycle.

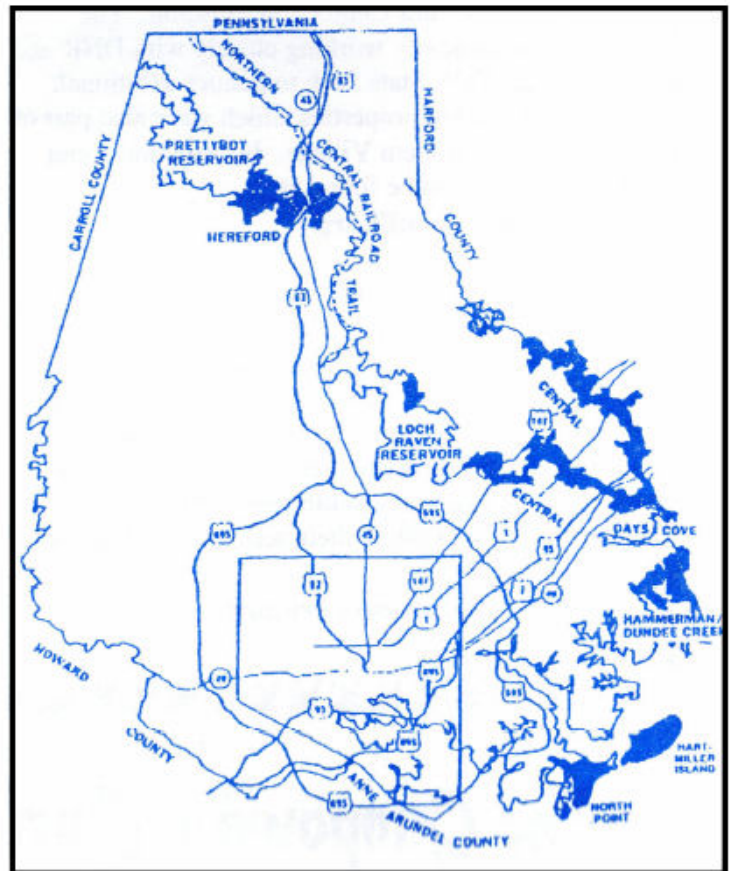
OVERNIGHT CAMPING

Overnight camping is available at Camp Wood and Camp Cone for organized youth groups. Reservations required. Call 410-592-2897 for youth group camping.

Primitive campsites at Hart-Miller Island, accessible by boat only, May 1 - Sept. 30. First come, first served. Service charge: \$6/site/night. Limit of 6 people per site.

NEED MORE INFORMATION ?

call Park Headquarters at 410-592-2897. Additional park regulations are posted on bulletin boards.



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Our mission...

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